

Chula Vista Public Library

RULES OF CONDUCT

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The library is intended as a place of enjoyment for all library guests. Conduct must be orderly and respectful of other guests and library property. Inappropriate behavior is not permitted. Inappropriate behavior includes (but is not limited to) making threats of violence or using profane language; using wheeled devices in the library such as skateboards, bikes, or rollerblades (strollers and wheelchairs exempted); lying on the floor or furniture; sleeping; monopolizing library space, seating, or equipment; blocking interior or exterior exits or walkways; creating an interior or exterior trip hazard; or damaging library property.

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A calm or low noise level is desirable in the library. Quiet will be maintained in the “Quiet Areas” and talking on cell phones is not permitted in these areas; cell phones should be set on vibrate mode, low volume or turned off. If using a cell phone outside of the Quiet Areas, use a headset or low voice. Electronic games, laptops, iPads, etc. should be muted or used with headsets.

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The library accommodates individual or group study. Individual study carrels are provided along with study rooms which may be reserved on the day and up to three days in advance. Individuals and groups without a reservation may not lay claim to space, tables, or chairs in the general library areas.

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The library is a smoke free zone. Smoking is not permitted in the library or within 20 feet of main entrances, exits and operable windows. Sources of pervasive odors, including strong perfumes and alcohol, are not permitted in the library. Individuals shall not be on the Library premises while under the influence or in possession of alcohol or illegal substances in accordance with the law.

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Adults should accompany young children in the adult areas to maintain quiet in areas for adult guests. Groups escorted by leaders must not disperse or be left unsupervised. Only children and the adults who accompany them may use seating designated for children.

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Only service or assistance animals are allowed in the Library unless part of an official library program.

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Library restrooms may not be used for the purposes of bathing or washing clothes. The children’s restroom is only to be used by children and their accompanying adult.

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Failure to comply with these rules by an individual(s) will result in a request to leave the building. If an individual refuses to comply or leave, the Police Department will be notified. All applicable federal, state and municipal laws and ordinances will be enforced.

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In order to maintain a healthy and clean environment, and to enable library guests to use the library in the manner intended without undue distraction, food and beverages are permitted in the library in designated areas, under the following guidelines: beverages must be in covered containers; food must have no detectable aroma; dry snacks are recommended.